Waiting List of Telephone Subscribers in Jharkhand

†2432. SHRI AJAY MAROO: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any waiting list of subscribers intending to have telephone connection in Jharkhand;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when this waiting list is expected to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A total of 3740 subscribers intending to have telephone connections of Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) in Jharkhand State were waitlisted as on 31-10-2006.

(c) The waiting list is expected to be cleared progressively by March, 2007.

Quality of Services of the Cellular Service Providers

2433. SHRI C. PERUMAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any survey has been conducted by Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) on the quality of services of the cellular providers;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the survey reveals that the services provided by cellular service providers are poor in quality;

(c) if so, the action taken/proposed to be taken by Government to enable cellular service providers to satisfy the customer in network performance, billing, helpline services and maintenance;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) Yes, Sir. Telecom Regulatory Authority of India TRAI has

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